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## Peacemaking Can Be Profitable

This disarmament business is more and more taking on the characteristics of a "make work" racket run for the benefit of fuzzy-minded "intellectuals" and former government officials. And we believe it's only a matter of time until taxpayers begin asking where their money is going.

Columnist Robert Allen, in Paul Scott recently gave the American people a peek at some of this peace profiteering via a timely column on the report of the House Appropriations subcommittee headed by Rep. John Rooney (D-N.Y.).

The Arms Control and Disarmament Agency currently is financing a wide-ranging series of studies, some perhaps necessary, others doubtful, but all high-priced. One result of the far-reaching program is to try to influence public opinion with the taxpayers' own money.

The Rooney Committee, probing the arms control agency's request to have its budget more than doubled, from \$6,500,000 to \$15,000,000 has been told that most of the money will be used to pay for more studies, some already underway, others contemplated, but many employing scientists, university professors and former government officials who are getting double their previous salaries.

Projects-in-waiting include the following: \$100,000 to analyze the activities of private peace groups, their effect on public opinion and how they can be used to promote disarmament plans; \$150,000 to study alternative ways of handling conflicts between the U.S. and Russia; \$500,000 to study the relationship between national political environments—Congress, the press and the public—and arms control measures; \$10,000 to study the operations and organization of the Soviet fiscal system and budget.

The Rooney Committee found that the Disarmament Agency places no limit on salaries for the private research groups which derive more than 90 per cent of their funds from the taxpayers. The Institute of Defense Analysis pays its president \$45,000—a fact that should be of particular interest to those who recall that Richard A. Bissell, formerly of the CIA, was the official who directed the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion.

The Institute, which received more than \$8,000,000 from the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency and the Defense Department, has a staff of 243 employees, with salaries ranging from \$15,000 to \$42,000—in addition to the director's \$45,000. Aerospace, which had as one of its original incorporators Deputy Defense Secretary Roswell Gilpatrick, pays its

aerospace officials receive from \$30,000 to \$50,000.

Other groups with research contracts with the Disarmament Agency included Bendix Company, \$500,000; Raytheon, \$300,000; Institute of Strategic Studies, \$50,000; Mathematics Research, \$57,000; American Academy of Arts and Sciences, \$50,000; Stanford Research Institutes, \$267,688; Research Analysis Corp., \$177,300; Peace and Research Institute, \$10,000, and the Carnegie Corporation, \$150,000.

It should be apparent that disarmament is now Big Business. It also should be apparent that the fondness of some people for "peacemaking" may not be entirely altruistic.

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